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TERRIBLE PANIC FOLLOWS

THOUSANDS OF SPECTATORS IN
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ATHLETIC MEET.

MANY CRITICALLY INJURED

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL
AND WIFE AMONG THOSE
WHO WERE HURT.

Seattle, Wash., May 7.—Sixty persons were injured last night when the balcony in the new national guard armory collapsed. Thousands of spectators were in the building, watching an indoor athletic meet when the accident occurred. Captain Maurice W. Thompson, assistant adjutant general, and Mrs. Thompson are both in a critical condition.

The people in the balcony were straining against the rail, watching a race when the whole structure, 50 yards long, fell, and hundreds rolled to the floor. A panic followed and the building was a bedlam with the cries of injured and frightened women.

F. L. Jackson and Ed Crabbe were running strong in the stretch of a Marathon race when the crash came. Both were knocked down but were only slightly hurt. Men were knocked down in the mad rush and many unhurt were carried away by volunteers in their zeal to aid.

Big Steel Contract.

New York, May 7.—Announcement is made that the Illinois Steel company, a subsidiary of the United States Steel corporation, closed a contract for 60,000 tons of rails with the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway at \$28 a ton.

ANNUAL CONVOCATION HELD IN LAS VEGAS

The 17th annual convocation of the missionary district of New Mexico has just concluded its business sessions in Episcopal guild, religious services being also held daily in St. Paul's Memorial church, Rev. Henry Easter, of El Paso, delivering an able and convincing sermon Wednesday evening.

The convocation was attended by Bishop J. Mills Kendrick, of Phoenix, Ariz.; Rev. Henry Easter, of El Paso, Texas; Rev. W. Fletcher Cook, of Albuquerque; Rev. W. E. Warren, of Silver City; Rev. Harvey M. Shields, of Dawson and Tucuman.

Bishop Kendrick presided at the business sessions of the ecclesiastical body and Rev. Jesse S. Moore, of this city, was elected secretary.

In the missionary district there are 14 clergy and the bishop, one candidate for holy orders, 14 lay readers, 3 parishes, 15 organized missions and 7 unorganized missions.

The council of advice is constituted as follows: Rev. Henry Easter of El Paso, president; Rev. W. Fletcher Cook of Albuquerque, J. Stoney Porcher and D. Pope Holland, of El Paso.

The bishop's examining chaplains are: Rev. Walter R. Dye of Santa Fe; Rev. Jesse S. Moore of East Las Vegas; Rev. W. E. Warren of Silver City. Hon. L. Bradford Prince of Santa Fe, is chancellor and Arthur Boyle, of that city, is registrar. The treasurer of the convocation is Wm. J. Johnson of Albuquerque, and the treasurer of the missionary district is R. J. Palen of Santa Fe. The district secretary of the Woman's auxiliary is Mrs. Elizabeth J. Livesay of Victoria, Bona Anna county, N. M.

Delegates to the Missionary Council

of the Southwest, to be held in Oklahoma in January of next year, are: Rev. Harvey M. Shields, Rev. Henry Easter, Hon. L. Bradford Prince, of Santa Fe, and Chief Justice W. J. Mills, of East Las Vegas.

The report of the committee on the state of the church, consisting of Rev. W. Fletcher Cook and Chief Justice Mills, was forceful and encouraging in every respect, showing a stable and continual advance along all lines of church endeavor. There has been in this district more baptisms and more confirmations during the past year and there are at present a larger number of communicants than ever before in its history.

One of the most pleasing features of the convocation just closed, was the set of resolutions which were unanimously passed, congratulating Bishop Kendrick on his 20th anniversary as follows:

"Whereas, This is the 20th anniversary of the consecration of Rt. Rev. John Mills Kendrick, D. D., as bishop of New Mexico; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the members of the convocation hereby express their loving appreciation of the noble, self-sacrificing character of their bishop, of his unfailing faithfulness, of his untiring toil, of his deep devotion, of his able administration and of his exceeding, loving kindness to his people and clergy; be it further

"Resolved, That we express, as far as words can, our devout gratitude and great gladness that we have him with us on this, the 20th anniversary and that God in His goodness has preserved him, with all his powers unabated, and we pray that many years may be added to his self-sacrificing devotion to the church."

Bishop Kendrick responded in felicitous, sympathetic and happy remarks. The next convocation will be held in St. John's church, Albuquerque, on Tuesday, April 19, 1910.

MANY WITNESSES YET TO BE HEARD IN HAINS TRIAL

DISTRICT ATTORNEY DECIDES
NOT TO CALL THE WIFE OF
MURDERED MAN.

Prisoner Who Occupied Cell Near Defendant Will Be Brought From Sing Sing to Testify as to His Sanity.

Flushing, N. Y., May 7.—When the court opened this morning in the trial of Captain P. C. Hains, for the killing of William E. Annis, the state still had fifteen witnesses to call, among them Mrs. Annis. The district attorney has procured a writ of habeas corpus for the attendance of John Sheridan, now serving a term in Sing Sing, for shooting a man. Sheridan was with Hains in the Queens county jail and observed him subsequent to the shooting.

Decides Not to Call Widow.

District Attorney De Witt decided not to call Mrs. Helen Annis to the witness stand. He said the people would rest the case with the testimony of the alienists. Dr. Charles G. Brink, who qualified as an expert on mental diseases, said Hains knew what he was about when he shot Annis. He said he did not consider Dr. L. Pierce Clark, one of the witnesses for the defense, an eminent alienist.

DR. GEO. G. McCONNELL PLEASED WITH CLIMATE

An enjoyable smoker was given at the Commercial club last night in honor of Dr. George G. McConnell, of Chicago, chief medical examiner of the Knights of Pythias lodge, who is in the city to see about beginning the work of erecting the K. of P. auditorium and hospital here. Although he has only been here a little more than a day he says that he is greatly pleased with the climate and the people and believes that this is an especially favorable location for national institutions of the lodge. He will remain here a week and says that before he departs he will know more about conditions and can make a fuller statement.

PRIVATE CAPITAL PLANS TO BUILD LAS VEGAS RESERVOIR WITHIN NEXT TWELVE MONTHS

D. A. Camfield President of Empire Construction Company Given Option on Project by Board of Trustees of Las Vegas Grant.

The board of trustees of the Las Vegas grant has taken steps towards the immediate construction by private capital of the irrigation system known as the Las Vegas project.

An agreement has been entered into with A. W. Thompson, agent for D. A. Camfield, of Greeley, Colo., which gives him 60 days to go over the site with his engineers and decide whether the plan is a feasible and profitable one, although Mr. Camfield is already assured that it is, as he himself went over the land three weeks ago.

At the end of this time he must enter into a written contract with the board to complete the project within one year. The board will turn over to him title to the lands to be placed under irrigation and the site of the dam.

The reservoir will be built in the Sanguinella valley. The government has been considering the project but it may be a number of years before money is available in the federal treasury for the prosecution of the work.

D. A. Camfield is president of the Empire construction company and is now superintending some big construction work at Sterling, Ia. He has had charge of work of this kind for twenty years and is identified with nearly all of the big Colorado projects. The agreement adopted by the board is as follows:

"Whereas, A. W. Thompson, agent for one D. A. Camfield, has this day submitted a proposition to the board of trustees of the town of Las Vegas, administering the Las Vegas grant, for the construction of the Sanguinella reservoir and canal system, being substantially the reservoir and irrigation system surveyed by the U. S. government, and

"Whereas, The said board desires, if the same can be reasonably done, to have the said reservoir system constructed at the earliest day possible, consistent with good business; now therefore be it

"Resolved, By the said board of trustees of the town of Las Vegas aforesaid, that said board hereby

agrees with the said D. A. Camfield that he may enter upon the Las Vegas grant, and make such surveys, examinations and estimates of the said reservoir site and irrigation system, along the general lines of the said United States survey and complete the said preliminary examinations, which completion shall be within sixty (60) days from this date, and as much earlier as can reasonably be done, that when said Camfield shall have gathered sufficient data to enable him to enter into a contract with the said board for the construction of the said reservoir and irrigation system, the said board will, and here agrees to enter into a written contract, if the same can reasonably be done, with said Camfield, providing that the said D. A. Camfield shall construct, upon terms and conditions in such contract provided, the said reservoir and irrigation system, and further providing the terms and conditions in such contract to be stated, that the said board, in consideration of such construction, will convey to said Camfield all its title, rights and privileges, in and to the lands, which can and are to be well and thoroughly irrigated from said reservoir site and system, it being estimated that the land which can be so successfully irrigated and thoroughly irrigated will amount to ten thousand to fifteen thousand acres, it being understood that the reservoir and irrigation system contemplated is to be a thoroughly good, efficient and first class irrigation system and the construction thereof to be also first class.

"For a period of sixty days from this date, the said board agrees not to contract with any other person for the construction of such irrigation system, or in any way to encumber or impair its power to enter into the contract herein before mentioned, in the event the terms thereof may be agreed upon; and it is further understood that within such period the said D. A. Camfield is to have a preference right to contract with the board for such construction, subject to the provisions of this resolution.

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agreed that after said data has been so secured by said Camfield, that he and the said board, if they can agree on the terms thereof, will enter into a contract providing for the completion of such system by said Camfield, within one year from the date of the signing of said contract, and that they will mutually in good faith with each other, if the terms of such contract can be settled between them, enter into such contract providing for the construction of such system by said Camfield, and the payment therefor by the conveyance of the lands aforesaid, which can be brought under irrigation by such irrigation project; but, if by reason of differences, they fail to conclude such contract, then it is understood there is to be no charge, against said board, by said Camfield for or on account of his expenditures in making surveys and getting data. It is further understood that both parties shall act reasonably, and in perfectly good faith, in a sincere effort to get together and agree upon a contract as aforesaid.

"If the said Camfield shall so request at any time, within sixty days, a special meeting of the board shall be held to take up such project, settle upon the terms of said contract, if it can be done and enter into the same, it being the special purpose of this resolution, to give to the said Camfield the prior rights, under the terms of the contract, herein specified, and if an agreement for construction of such system can be reached, to have the same entered upon and completed at the earliest reasonable time within which it can be accomplished."

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CLAPP TRIES TO SCARE SENATE

DECLARES THAT ENTIRE COUNTRY DEMANDS TARIFF REVISION DOWNWARD.

FORECASTS DEFEAT AT POLLS

SAYS DEMOCRATS INSTEAD OF REPUBLICANS MAY FRAME BILL IN TWO YEARS.

ONLY INDULGING IN FARCE

SAYS IF HE DID NOT BELIEVE RATES WOULD BE LOWERED WOULD PACK HIS GRIP.

Washington, May 7.—Senator Clapp of Minnesota spoke on the tariff at the opening of the senate session this morning. He referred to the difference between protective tariff and tariff for revenue only. He said he believed that the revision should have been taken up, one item at a time, instead of a complete revision, as the former method would not have provoked great excitement.

The promise of the republican party was for revision downward, in response to a positive demand. He said the position of the protective interests was "We should leave well enough alone." "If I did not believe that the duties would be lowered in response to this demand, I would pack my grip and go home tomorrow," said the senator.

"I am not required to participate in such a farce as the re-enactment of the Dingley rates. The people understand that we were to have a revision downward; the man who made the platform understood it; we understand it. No amount of sophistry can otherwise explain the popular demand. If the demand for revision did not mean a changing of the duties downward it did not mean anything, and we are indulging in a farce now."

Declaring that if congress should now fail to lower the rates the democratic party would be in a position to do it two years hence, the senator said he did not want to use threats, but to tell the truth. "The American people have determined on a revision downward, and anything else will disappoint them," he said. "It may be in your power," he said, turning to the republican senators, "to act contrary to the wishes of the people, but sure's you do that, this tariff will be revised by enemies and not friends of protection."

STRONG FIGHT FOR U. S. MARSHALSHIP

Special to The Optic.

Santa Fe, May 7.—A lively fight is just now on in New Mexico for the United States marshalship, one of the most coveted federal plums. Developments are expected in a short time in the matter of the appointment of a successor to Creighton M. Foraker, a brother of United States Senator Joseph B. Foraker.

There are several candidates in the field, namely Secundino Romero of Las Vegas; T. S. Hubbell of Albuquerque; Captain John W. Green of Santa Fe, who resigned a few days ago as superintendent of the territorial penitentiary; Captain C. L. Ballard of Roswell and Edward C. Burke of Santa Fe.

Burke, who seems to stand the best chance, is a brother of Congressman James Francis Burke of Pennsylvania, who is backing his brother's candidacy to the full extent of his influence. In addition Burke has the indorsement of many of the most influential men in New Mexico, including members of the republican territorial organization. Governor Curry

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